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Dear Sir/Madam:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant(s) hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicants have become aware of documents AA-AB, BA-BN, and CA-CE (as cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08), cited in two Oppositions (citations CF and CG of the enclosed PTO Form SB/08) filed in connection with granted European (EPO) Patent No. EP1685105B1, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon, including the Oppositions, is enclosed as well.

A concise explanation of relevance of the items listed on form PTO/SB/08 is given for only non-English language listed items: The Opposition filed on behalf of Sanofi-Aventis (citation CF) seeks revocation of EPO Patent No. EP1685105B1 and alleges that, according to EPO practice: certain claims of the EPO patent are not entitled to the priority date claimed; the EPO patent does not provide sufficient

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